NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS AT INDEPENDENT RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS BUDGET FORM AND SAMPLE BUDGET

The blank budget form provides space to request up to a four-year grant, with as many as three years of fellowship funding. A sample budget has also been provided. The budget subcategories are meant to be illustrative; applicants should substitute or add other subcategories, as appropriate.

Payments to Grantees: Stipends are limited to no more than \$40,000 per fellow (for fellows with tenure of six to twelve months), and to no more than \$20,000 per fellow (for fellows with tenure of four to five months). Applicants should not request funding for stipends during the first year of the grant.

Publicity and Selection: Applicants can request up to \$6,000 per year to defray the cost of publicity and selection. The costs associated with the designation of a cohort of NEH fellows are incurred a year before the fellows' tenure. Applicants should not request funding for these activities in the final year of the grant.

Types of grant support

Successful applicants will be awarded a grant in outright funds, matching funds, or a combination of the two depending on the request of the applicant and the availability of funds.

- Outright Funds: Outright funds are awarded by NEH and are not contingent on additional fund-raising.
- Matching Funds: Matching funds require a grantee to secure gift funds from third parties before federal funds are awarded. Matching grants in the FPIRI program are made on a one-to-one basis. Because matching awards enable NEH provide support to a greater number of projects, applicants are encouraged to request complete or partial support in the form of matching grants. Whenever possible, applicants requesting matching funds should identify potential sources of gift funds at the time they submit an application to the Endowment (see Eligible Gifts and Donors below).
- Combined Funds: Applicants may also request a combination of outright and matching funds from NEH. For example, if a project costs \$40,000, and the applicant expects to receive an additional \$5,000 from an eligible third-party donor, the applicant should request \$5,000 in matching funds. The balance of the project's costs (\$30,000) may be requested in outright funds.

NEH may offer funding at a different level than that requested. In some instances, NEH may offer matching funds only, or it may offer a combination of matching and outright funds in response to a request for outright funds.

Cost Sharing

NEH normally can contribute only part of the funds needed to carry out projects. Cost sharing consists of the cash contributions made to the project by the applicant and third parties as well as third-party in-kind contributions, such as donated services and goods. Cost sharing includes gift money that will be raised to release federal matching funds.

Grant Period

The grant period encompasses the entire period for which NEH support is requested in the current application. All project activities and the expenditure of project funds must occur during the grant period.

Eligible Gifts and Donors

For the purpose of NEH's gifts and matching program, a gift is a voluntary transfer of money (or a noncash contribution that is subsequently converted to cash) from a nonfederal third party to the applicant without compensation or consideration in return. Only gifts that will be used to support budgeted project activities during the grant period are eligible to be matched with federal funds. Ineligible donors include the applicant who will carry out the project and any institution or individual who is involved in project activities and will receive some sort of remuneration from project funds.

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Fellowship Programs at Independent Research Institutions BUDGET FORM

I. OUTLAYS (BY YEAR OF EXPENDITURE)

	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Totals
Payments to Grantees		\$	\$	\$	\$
Publicity					
Printing	\$	\$	\$		\$
Advertising	\$	\$	\$		\$
Postage	\$	\$	\$		\$
Phone, Fax	\$	\$	\$		\$
Web design and posting	\$	\$	\$		\$
Total	\$	\$	\$		\$
Selection					
Travel	\$	\$	\$		\$
Per diem	\$	\$	\$		\$
Honoraria	\$	\$	\$		\$
Total	\$	\$	\$		\$
Total Outlays	\$	\$	\$		\$
II. FUNDING					
NEH Outright Funds					\$
NEH Matching Funds					\$
Gifts					\$
TOTAL FUNDING					\$

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FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS AT INDEPENDENT RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS SAMPLE BUDGET

I. OUTLAYS (BY YEAR OF EXPENDITURE)

TOTAL FUNDING

`	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Totals	
Payments to Grantees						
Fellowship Stipends		\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$240,000	
Publicity						
Printing	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 200		\$ 800	
Advertising	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,450	\$ 1,600		\$ 4,600	
Postage	\$ 250	\$ 200	\$ 225		\$ 675	
Phone, Fax	\$ 300	\$ 350	\$ 275		\$ 925	
Web design and posting	\$ 600	\$ 700	\$ 700		\$ 2,000	
Total	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000		\$ 9,000	
Selection						
Travel [5 x \$200]	\$1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000		\$ 3,000	
Per diem [5 x 2 x \$100]	\$1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000		\$ 3,000	
Honoraria [5 x \$200]	\$1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000		\$ 3,000	
Total	\$3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000		\$ 9,000	
Total Outlays	\$6,000	\$86,000	\$86,000	\$80,000	\$258,000	
II. FUNDING						
NEH Outright Funds					\$258,000	
NEH Matching Funds						
Gifts						
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